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REMINDER TO OBSERVE THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN OPERATIONAL
TELEGRAMS AND TELEGRAMS CONTAINING INTELLIGENCE REPORTS

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Circular for all residents [a].

Despite ~~the~~ repeated instructions to address intelligence [INFORMATSIONNYJ] material ~~sent~~ by telegraph "Copy to 8th Department [OTDEL]", many residents continue to break this rule and so complicate the work of headquarters [TsENTR] [b]. We categorically demand that this instruction be carried out so that we are not compelled to [issue] [c] endless reminders. With the exception of materials of an operational nature (questions of recruitments [KONTAKT-TsII], work on the development of individuals [OTDEL'NYE RAZRASOTKI] [d], correspondence on organisational matters) and materials on ~~Soviet~~ ~~all~~ other materials are considered intelligence material, which covers also documentary data, materials containing information for reference purposes [SPRAVOCHNOGO Kharaktera] [e] and materials describing the agent networks, structure, methods and content ~~of~~ of the work of ~~foreign~~ intelligence services [RAZVETKI].

In replies to enquiries from us it should ~~be~~ be indicated that a copy is to be passed to the 8th. Department, if the material is in the nature of intelligence. It is forbidden to touch on operational questions in intelligence telegrams. Cipher clerks are forbidden ~~to~~ to combine intelligence and operational telegrams in a single message [DEPESha] [f].

It is the duty of the cipher clerk to see that intelligence telegrams carry a note about a copy for the 8th. Department if the resident has forgotten to do this.

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